

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT**In the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 16, with the following:

FIG. 1 is a diagram of an exemplary network environment 100 in which methods consistent with the present invention may be implemented. Customer 102 is an individual or corporation that may want to register a domain name with a domain name registration service. Customer 102 can access the domain name registration service through the service's account manager 106, which can be reached via Internet 104. Account manager 106 hosts the service's web page and is utilized by the customer to purchase or manage the various options that are associated with a domain name registration service account. For example, using the various web pages available on account manager 106, customer 102 could sign up for an account, reserve a domain name, buy the web forwarding option, configure the web forwarding option (e.g., determine where a given web address will forward), buy a mailbox at the service, contact a customer service ~~representation~~ representative, etc. Account manager 106 can be implemented, for example, using a SunServer machine available from Sun Microsystems. Account manager 106 also runs web server software, such as Stronghold. The web server software is able to communicate with an account manager program that is also resident on account manager 106 using a protocol, such as Java servlet. The account manager program is the actual program that is responsible for managing the aforementioned customer options.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 15, line 10, with the following:

If the data transfer has no error, then data files 118, 124 may be updated to reflect the new data (step 410). For example, the update may occur by deleting the old backup data associated with data files 118, 124, moving the current data in data files 118, 124 into the backup position, and moving the new data into the current position. After the data files have been updated as described above, a determination is made as to whether the data was correctly installed in the data files (step 412). If the data was not correctly installed, then a message to that effect is sent (step 414) to, for example, an employee of the domain name registration service. If the data was correctly installed, then a message reporting that the update was successful is sent (step 416) to an employee of the domain name registration